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Provisional annotated agenda

1. Opening statements by the President of the Executive Board and the Executive Director of UNICEF

The Executive Board will hear opening statements by the President of the Executive Board and the Executive Director of UNICEF.

Organizational and procedural matters

2. Adoption of the provisional annotated agenda, timetable and organization of work

For decision (E/ICEF/2016/13/Rev.2)

The provisional agenda is prepared in consultation with the Bureau of the Executive Board and is based on the programme of work adopted by the Executive Board at its 2015 second regular session. The Executive Board will adopt the agenda for the session, making any amendments that it considers necessary.

3. Proposed programme of work for the Executive Board sessions in 2017

For decision (E/ICEF/2016/14/Rev.2)

The proposed programme of work is based on suggestions by the secretariat and on Executive Board decisions, including decision 2010/11, which called for a better balance of agenda items throughout the year and for the possibility to harmonize the schedule of relevant items with those of the Executive Boards of the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Population Fund and the United Nations Office for Project Services. It has been prepared in consultation with the Bureau of the Executive Board of UNICEF and is presented to the Executive Board for approval. Once adopted, it serves as a framework for setting the agendas for the 2017 Executive Board sessions, subject to decisions by the Executive Board and modifications introduced in consultation with the Bureau of the Executive Board.

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Programme and policy matters

4. Oral update on UNICEF humanitarian action

For information

The Executive Board will receive an update on humanitarian action in UNICEF. The session will begin with an overview of the situation of children living in crisis and outline the UNICEF response as well as challenges and achievements.

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5. UNICEF programme cooperation

(a) Country programme documents

For decision

The 23 country programme documents and two multi-country programme documents listed below are presented to the Executive Board for approval on a no-objection basis, in accordance with Executive Board decision 2014/1. Costed evaluation plans for each country programme are posted on the UNICEF Executive Board website alongside the documents. The United Nations Development Assistance Framework results matrices are also available on the website, where applicable.

The 23 country programme documents and two multi-country programme documents will be presented by region:

Central and Eastern Europe and the Commonwealth of Independent States
- Albania (E/ICEF/2016/P/L.12)
- Croatia (E/ICEF/2016/P/L.13)
- Montenegro (E/ICEF/2016/P/L.14)

East Asia and the Pacific
- Democratic People's Republic of Korea (E/ICEF/2016/P/L.15)
- Lao People's Democratic Republic (E/ICEF/2016/P/L.16)
- Mongolia (E/ICEF/2016/P/L.17)
- Thailand (E/ICEF/2016/P/L.18)
- Viet Nam (E/ICEF/2016/P/L.19)

Eastern and Southern Africa
- Eritrea (E/ICEF/2016/P/L.20)
- Mozambique (E/ICEF/2016/P/L.21)

Latin America and Caribbean
- Belize (E/ICEF/2016/P/L.22)
- Brazil (E/ICEF/2016/P/L.23)
- Eastern Caribbean multi-country programme (Anguilla, Antigua and Barbuda, Barbados, British Virgin Islands, Dominica, Grenada, Montserrat, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Trinidad and Tobago and Turks and Caicos Islands) (E/ICEF/2016/P/L.24)
- Guyana and Suriname multi-country programme (E/ICEF/2016/P/L.25)
- Honduras (E/ICEF/2016/P/L.26)
- Jamaica (E/ICEF/2016/P/L.27)
- Peru (E/ICEF/2016/P/L.28)

Middle East and North Africa
- Iran (Islamic Republic of) (E/ICEF/2016/P/L.29)
- Lebanon (E/ICEF/2016/P/L.30)
- Morocco (E/ICEF/2016/P/L.31)
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West and Central Africa
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Gambia (E/ICEF/2016/P/L.35)
Sao Tome and Principe (E/ICEF/2016/P/L.36)

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(b) Extensions of ongoing country programmes

For decision (E/ICEF/2016/P/L.37)

In accordance with Executive Board decision 2009/11, the Executive Board will be (i) informed of the two-month extension of the country programme for Haiti and the first one-year extensions of the area programme for Palestinian children and women in Jordan, Lebanon, the Syrian Arab Republic and the State of Palestine and of the country programme for the Sudan and (ii) requested to approve the two-month extension of the country programme for Botswana, following a two-year extension; the second consecutive one-year extensions of the country programmes for Malawi and Somalia; the second consecutive two-year extension of the country programme for Burundi; and the third consecutive one-year extension of the country programme for Libya.

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6. Review of UNICEF experience in high-income countries and in countries transitioning from upper-middle-income to high-income status

For decision (E/ICEF/2016/P/L.39)

This agenda item responds to the request of the UNICEF Executive Board, in its decision 2015/3, that UNICEF undertake a review of its experience in high-income countries and in countries transitioning from upper-middle-income to high-income status, as part of the midterm review of the Strategic Plan, 2014-2017. The review recognizes that inequities among children exist in all countries and emphasizes the value added by UNICEF in a variety of contexts, working through different operational modalities, based on the universality principle inherent in the Convention on the Rights of the Child and the universal focus of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

UNICEF focal point:
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7. Road map to the Strategic Plan, 2018-2021

For information

This agenda item responds to the request of the UNICEF Executive Board, in its decision 2016/5, that UNICEF present a road map at the 2016 second regular session of the Executive Board for the consultations planned for the preparation of the next strategic plan.

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8. Structured dialogue on financing the results of the UNICEF Strategic Plan, 2014-2017

For information (UNICEF/2016/EB/9)

The structured dialogue with the Executive Board will be organized in accordance with the quadrennial comprehensive policy review of activities for development of the United Nations system (General Assembly resolution 67/226) and Executive Board decision 2015/14.

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Evaluation, audit and oversight matters

9. Evaluation report and management response

Equity, scalability and sustainability in UNICEF water, sanitation and hygiene programming: evidence from UNICEF evaluations 2007-2015, and management response

For information

The report presents a synthesis of findings from water, sanitation and hygiene (WASH) evaluations commissioned by UNICEF in the period 2007-2015, looking at the performance of UNICEF WASH programming in terms of equity, scalability and sustainability. It provides lessons and recommendations to inform future UNICEF programming in this area.

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Resource, financial and budgetary matters

10. Private fundraising and partnerships: financial report for the year ended 31 December 2015

For information (E/ICEF/2016/AB/L.7)

The report is presented annually to the Executive Board for review and comments, in accordance with annex I to General Assembly resolution 48/162 of 20 December 1993.

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11. UNICEF Strategic Plan: updated financial estimates, 2016-2019

For decision (E/ICEF/2016/AB/L.6)

In accordance with Executive Board decision 2013/20, updated financial estimates for the UNICEF Strategic Plan, 2014-2017 are presented to the Executive Board annually. The estimates provide a basis for determining the level of regular resources expenditures, including for programme submissions for approval in 2017.

UNICEF focal point:
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12. Report on the independent assessment of the implementation of cost recovery (joint paper of UNDP, UNFPA, UNICEF and UN-Women)

For information (DP/FPA-ICEF-UNW/2016/CRP.1)

This agenda item responds to the request of the UNICEF Executive Board, in its decision 2013/5, that an independent and external assessment be performed in 2016 on the consistency and alignment of the new cost-recovery methodology with General Assembly resolution 67/226.

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Other matters and adoption of draft decisions

13. Report of the joint field visit of the Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA/UNOPS, UNICEF, UN-Women and WFP to the Kyrgyz Republic, 2-7 May 2016

For information (DP/FPA/OPS-ICEF-UNW-WFP/2016/CRP.1)

Presented for information is the report of the joint field visit to the Kyrgyz Republic by members of the Executive Boards of the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Population Fund, the United Nations Office for Project Services, UNICEF, the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women) and the World Food Programme, from 2 to 7 May 2016. The report is presented in accordance with Executive Board decision 2004/13 and paragraph 17 of the guidelines for field visits by members of the Executive Board (E/ICEF/2004/19).

14. Other matters

The Executive Board has before it the provisional list of agenda items for its first regular session of 2017 and may consider discussing any other issue under this agenda item.

15. Adoption of draft decisions

16. Closing statements by the Executive Director of UNICEF and the President of the Executive Board

The Executive Board will hear statements by the Executive Director of UNICEF and the President of the Executive Board.

Provisional timetable and organization of work for the 2016 second regular session of the UNICEF Executive Board 14-16 September 2016[1]

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	1:15-2:45		*Informal consultations*
	p.m. 3:00-5:00	Item 5	UNICEF programme cooperation: (a) Country programme documents (b) Extensions of ongoing country programmes
	5:00-6:00		*Informal consultations*
Thursday 15 September	a.m. 10:00-1:00	Item 5 (*cont'd*)	UNICEF programme cooperation: (a) Country programme documents (b) Extensions of ongoing country programmes
		Item 11	UNICEF Strategic Plan: updated financial estimates, 2016-2019
	1:15-2:45		*Informal consultations*
	p.m. 3:00-5:00	Item 12	Report on the independent assessment of the implementation of cost recovery (joint paper of UNDP, UNFPA, UNICEF and UN-Women)
		Item 10	Private fundraising and partnerships: financial report for the year ended 31 December 2015
	5:00-6:00		*Informal consultations*

[1] When consideration of an agenda item concludes ahead of the allocated time, the next item will be taken up for consideration and the timetable adjusted accordingly.

Friday 16 September	a.m. 10:00-1:00	Item 8	Structured dialogue on financing the results of the UNICEF Strategic Plan, 2014-2017
		Item 4	Oral update on UNICEF humanitarian action
		Item 7	Road map to the Strategic Plan, 2018-2021
	1:15-2:45		*Informal consultations*
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